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## Summer recreational vessel lockage schedule begins May 15

**WALLA WALLA, Wash.** – Saturday, May 15, marks the start of a new schedule for recreational boaters using navigation locks to travel past Walla Walla District dams on the Columbia and Snake rivers, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers navigation planners announced today.

The lockage schedule is the same for eight Corps dams in Walla Walla and Portland districts, making recreational vessel lockage schedules identical for the entire Columbia-Snake river system.

In Walla Walla District, navigation lock facilities are available at McNary Dam, near Umatilla, Ore.; Ice Harbor Dam, near Burbank, Wash.; Lower Monumental Dam, near Kahlotus, Wash.; Little Goose Dam, near Starbuck, Wash.; and Lower Granite Dam, near Pomeroy, Wash. Portland District dams with locks include John Day Dam, near Rufus, Ore.; The Dalles Dam, near The Dalles, Ore.; and Bonneville Dam, near Cascade Locks, Ore.

The summer recreational vessel lockage schedule at all Corps dams is indicated in the chart below:

<b>Annual Seasonal Recreational Craft Lockage Schedule For the Period May 15 Through September 15</b>	
<b>Upstream</b>	<b>Downstream</b>
9 a.m.	9:30 a.m.
noon	12:30 p.m.
3 p.m.	3:30 p.m.
6 p.m.	6:30 p.m.
9 p.m.	9:30 p.m.

This schedule will remain in effect until Sep. 15. Recreational vessel operators have precedence over commercial vessels during the designated times. At other times, recreational vessels may be allowed to lock through with commercial craft, at the discretion of the lockmaster.

Consideration will be given to special lockages (outside the scheduled lockage

times) for flotillas or other organized events sponsored by yacht clubs, marinas, and other groups, have been made with the appropriate operations manager or their appointed representative. To request a special lockage in the Walla Walla District call:

All vessel owners and operators lock through at their own risk, and must comply with the Corps' safe-lockage policy. The summer recreational vessel lockage schedule, the Corps safety policy and the brochure, "How To Lock Through," are available on the Internet at

<b>Dam</b>	<b>Operations Manager</b>	<b>Control Room</b>
McNary	(541) 922-2251	(541) 922-2231
Ice Harbor	(509) 543-3251	(509) 547-7783
Lower Monumental	(509) 282-7251	(509) 282-3218
Little Goose	(509) 399-2233 ext. 251	(509) 399-2233 ext. 231
Lower Granite	(509) 843-1493 ext. 251	(509) 843-1493 ext. 231

[www.nwww.usace.army.mil/html/offices/op/t/navdata/default.html](http://www.nwww.usace.army.mil/html/offices/op/t/navdata/default.html) . General navigation information is also available on Portland District's Web site at [www.nwp.usace.army.mil/op/s/nl/home.asp](http://www.nwp.usace.army.mil/op/s/nl/home.asp) .

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